

CLAIMS

Having thus described the invention, what is claimed is:

1. A method in a computing environment for configuring images for display,
the method comprising:

receiving a selection of a first component image, said first component
image depicting a first component;

receiving a selection of a second component image, said second
component image depicting a second component;

positioning, on a coordinate system, said first image and said second
image; and

creating a configured image, said configured image including said first
component and said second component.

2. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said coordinate system is based
upon an (X,Y) axis.

3. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said second image is overlaid
on said first image.

4. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein said first and second
component images are photographs.

5. The method as recited in claim 1, further comprising consulting a coordinate table to determine the coordinates of said first and second images.

6. The method as recited in claim 1, further comprising consulting an image table to determine the component images necessary to make-up said configured image.

7. A computer system having a processor, a memory and an operating environment, the computer system operable to perform the steps recited in claim 1.

8. A method in a computing environment for configuring product images for display, the method comprising:

receiving a selection of a configured product image;

consulting a first data table to determine which of a variety of component images comprise said configured product image;

consulting a second data table to determine the coordinates on an (X,Y) axis of each component image that comprises the configured product image; and

displaying the configured product image by placing each component image at its corresponding coordinates on said (X,Y) axis.

9. The method as recited in claim 8, wherein said component images are photographs.

10. A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for performing the steps recited in claim 8.

11. A computer system having a processor, a memory and an operating environment, the computer system operable to perform the steps recited in claim 8.

12. A computer system for displaying a configured graphical image, the computer system comprising:

a configuration component which determines which of a plurality of component images comprise the configured image;

a coordinate component which determines the positioning of said component images on a coordinate system, said positioning being defined by (X,Y) coordinates; and

a displaying component which positions said component images on an (X,Y) axis based upon the determined (X,Y) coordinates and displays the resulting configured graphical image.

13. The computer system as recited in claim 12, wherein said various component images are photographs.

14. A method in a computing environment for displaying a product configuration including multiple parts, the method comprising:

determining the coordinates on an (X,Y) axis for one or more component images that comprise the product configuration; and

displaying the product configuration by positioning the component images at their determined coordinates.

15. The method as recited in claim 14, wherein the component images are photographs.

16. A computer readable medium having computer executable instructions for performing the steps recited in claim 14.

17. A computer system having a processor, a memory and an operating environment, the computer system operable to perform the steps recited in claim 14.

18. A computer readable medium containing a data structure for storing location information on one or more component images of a configured product, wherein said data structure comprises:

an implementor table, said table containing entries indicative of the component images that make up the configured product; and

a coordinate table, said coordinate table containing entries indicative of the (X,Y) coordinates for said component images, the coordinates specifying the positioning of the component images necessary to correctly make up the configured product.

19. A computer readable medium containing a method for depicting a selected configuration of a product, wherein the method comprises:

receiving a selection of a first component image, said first component image depicting a first component;

receiving a selection of a second component image, said second component image depicting a second component;

positioning, on a coordinate system, said first image and said second image; and

creating a configured image, said configured image including said first component and said second component.

20. The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said coordinate system is based upon an (X,Y) axis.

21. The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said second image is overlaid on said first image.

22. The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said first and second component images are photographs.

23. The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said method further comprises consulting a coordinate table to determine the coordinates of said first and second images.

24. The computer readable medium as recited in claim 19, wherein said method further comprises consulting an image table to determine the component images necessary to make-up said configured image.

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